

Alexandria Gazette.

FRIDAY EVENING FEB. 7, 1902.

A Marriage in Persia.

Before dinner is served the bride goes to the bath accompanied by female relatives and friends. At night, as the procession of the bridegroom approaches, alms are distributed, and women and children look on from neighboring roofs. Loud cries from the women welcome the bridegroom on his arrival, while the bride, carefully veiled, mounts the horse awaiting her at the door. All the men who have been feasted and entertained join in the procession, in which lanterns are borne. The bride's departure is the signal for the discharge of fireworks and a great beating of the big drum. The final ceremony is similar to one observed by the Arabs and the Copts—namely, the sacrifice of sheep. These are killed as the bride steps over the threshold of her new home.

One wonders what the idea is underlying the sacrifices. Are they intended as acts of propitiation inherited from an earlier age, when people thus endeavored "to appease the anger of the gods" or of the spirits of their ancestors? Or is it merely a way of sealing in blood an important act and covenant?—Woman's Home Companion.

For Purposes of Information.

"Hello, central!"
"Hello!"
"If you would you call, 'Main, eleven hundred and eleven'?"
"What?"
"Four ones."
"What do you want?"
"Or would you say 'One, one, one, one'?"
"I don't quite catch you. Say it again."

"Or would it be one thousand one hundred and eleven?"
"I'm asking you how to call Main eleven hundred and eleven. Get that?"
"Oh, you mean one, one, double one."
"Thanks."
"Here it is."
"Here what is?"
"Main, one, one, double one."
"Oh, I didn't want to talk to anybody! I only wanted to find out to settle a bet how you would call that particular number. I've lost. Goodby."—Chicago Tribune.

Emmett's Presence of Mind.
A story is told of Robert Emmet which proves his secretive power and resolution. He was fond of studying chemistry, and one night, after the family had gone to bed, he swallowed a large quantity of corrosive sublimate in mistake for some acid cooling powder. He immediately discovered his mistake and knew that death must shortly ensue unless he instantly swallowed the only antidote, chalk.

Timid men would have torn at the bell, roused all the family and sent for a stomach pump. Emmet called no one, made no noise, but, stealing down stairs and unlocking the front door, went into the stable, scraped some chalk which he knew to be there and took sufficient doses of it to neutralize the poison.

Her Lovely Lettuce Dish.
"I want," she said hesitatingly as she poised her basket in front of her pretty chin with a thoughtful air, "to get some lettuce."
"Yes'm," said the marketman. "Here's some; very nice it's too."
"Is it all that color?"
"Why—er—yes'm. All lettuce is green, you know."

"Oh, of course! But it's too bad. I got a lovely blue dish to put lettuce in, but I'm sure green would look horrible in it. I never thought about not being any shades, you know."

And as she turned away the marketman was almost sure he saw a tear of disappointment in her eye.

Indestructibility of Cedar.
The resistance of cedar wood to decay has long been famous, and cedar fenceposts often last for generations. A remarkable instance of the indestructibility of cedar has been noted in the state of Washington, where a forest of hemlocks near Acme has grown up over an ancient buried forest of cedars. The trunks of cedar, although lying in a moist soil, have been almost perfectly preserved for at least 150 years, the length of time that the rings of growth show the hemlocks to have been growing above their fallen predecessors.

Cataract.
The word cataract, as popularly used, means either nasal catarrh or bronchitis. Nasal catarrh is often helped by sniffing up, so as to carry it into the mouth, a weak solution of salt and water, repeating the operation several times a day. Where the disease is very persistent it is well, when possible, to try a change of climate. In bronchitis the case should be attended by a physician.

The Drawback to Originality.
"Why do you keep repeating quotations?" asked the irritable man. "Why don't you say something original?"
"My dear sir, there's no use of that. Every time I think of anything good enough to be original I find that somebody said it years ago."—Washington Star.

Questionable.
Willie Boerum—Pa.
Mr. Boerum—Well, what is it?
Willie Boerum (earnestly)—Does everybody in heaven have to have a harp? Can't little boys have tin horns?—Brooklyn Eagle.

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The Story of a Pioneer.

Few men are more widely known in Topeka, Kas., than Thos. J. Ross. He is the pioneer real estate dealer there, having located in the town in 1872. He was a sufferer from dyspepsia until he found of Kidoi Dyspepsia Cure.



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"For several years" he writes, "my wife and I suffered with that terrible malady known as dyspepsia or indigestion. 'We commenced to use Kidoi Dyspepsia Cure on the recommendation of our druggist. After one dose, and in a short time all those terrible pains and dyspepsia torments passed away. My appetite, also my wife's, came back and our food could be enjoyed as when we were well. I am truly grateful.'"

"I have not suffered a day with my stomach since I commenced to use Kidoi Dyspepsia Cure, as I recommended it to all of my fellow citizens."

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Monkeys as Coin Testers.
It is said that the great ape of Siam is in great request among the Siamese merchants as cashiers in their counting houses. Vast quantities of base coins are known to be in circulation in Siam, and no living human can discriminate between the good and bad coinage with as much accuracy as these apes. These monkey cashiers possess the faculty of distinguishing the rude Siamese counterfeiters in such an extraordinary degree that no trained banker can compete with them in their unique avocation.

In playing his trade the ape cashier meditatively puts each coin presented to him in his mouth and tests it with grave deliberation. From two to five seconds is all the time this intelligent animal requires in making up his decision. If the coin is all right, it is carefully deposited in the proper receptacle; if base, it is thrown violently to the floor, while the coin tester makes known his displeasure at being presented with the counterfeit by giving vent to much angry chatter.

Well Preserved.
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Confederate Bills.
The passage of a Confederate bill as money is not a violation of the statute of the United States which makes it an offense for any person, except under authority of a proper officer, to have in his possession any obligation or other security engraved and printed after the similitude of any obligation or other security issued under the authority of the United States, with intent to sell or otherwise use the same, but to constitute a violation of such provision the instrument used must in its inception have been intended to simulate some obligation or security of the United States. The general likeness which one form of paper money bears to another is not sufficient.—111 Fed. Rep. (N. D., Judge Aldrich), 303.

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His Choice.
"What would you like to be when you grow up?" asked an old gentleman.
"I'd like to be a bricklayer," replied the boy.
"That's a commendable ambition. Why would you like to be a bricklayer?"
"Cause there's so many days when bricklayers can't work."

A Good Bargain.
"But why," asked the president of the country where women ruled, "did you buy that battleship?"
"It was such a bargain," replied the secretary of the navy. "Of course, the engines don't work very well, and there are some flaws in the guns, but it looks as fine as any of the others and only cost half as much."—Chicago Post.

The Way of Women.
Nell—But you must never mention what I have just told you.
Bess—Why, is it a secret?
Nell—Oh, no, but—
Bess—Then it isn't worth repeating.
—Chicago News.

Pointed Directions.
Merritt—A man shouldn't bother a woman by talking business.
Cora—That's right, dear. If you mean business, go talk to papa.—Smart Set.

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STREAMERS.

Special Notice.

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8:30 A. M.	9:30 A. M.
10:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
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Schedule corrected to November 25, 1901.

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